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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: HAGIWARA Examiner: G. Goudreau
Serial No.: 09/382,182 Group Art Unit: 1763
Filed: August 24, 1999 Docket No.: 12052.20US01
Title: METHOD FOR FORMING MULTI-LAYER WIRING STRUCTURE

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c))

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Applicant hereby brings attention to the Examiner that they have a commonly assigned co-pending application, Serial No. 09/024,250, filed February 17, 1998 and the references listed were cited by the Examiner and the Applicant in the afore-mentioned case. A copy of the specification from co-pending application, Serial No. 09/024,250, is enclosed for the Examiners review.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits or a first Office Action after filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but before the mailing date of: i) a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113; ii) a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311; or iii) an action that otherwise closes prosecution on the application. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$180 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)):

An English abstract is attached to the Japanese reference.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

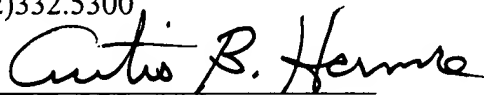
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

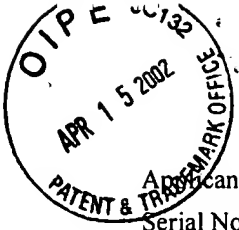
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Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, 11 Reference(s)
- ☒ Other: Specification from co-pending application, Serial No. 09/024,250
- ☒ Return postcard

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